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SUBJECT: ROMANOV'S FUTURE

1. FACT THAT THERE IS NOW OPEN FULL SEAT ON POLITBURO HAS PROMPTED CAREFUL COMMENT BY SOME LENINGRAD OFFICIALS THAT G. G. ROMANOV, LENINGRAD OBLAST' PARTY FIRST SECRETARY (AND CANDIDATE MEMBER OF POLITBURO) WOULD BE GOOD MAN TO FILL IT. ROMANOV'S ACCESSION TO FULL MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE SEEN AS DUE RECOGNITION OF LENINGRAD'S IMPORTANCE AND REVOLUTIONARY TRADITIONS AND RETURN TO TIMES WHEN LENINGRAD REGION PARTY BOSS PROPERLY HELD FULL SEAT.

2. GIST OF EARLY SPECULATION HAS BEEN THAT IN EVENT OF ROMANOV'S ELEVATION, HE MIGHT BE GIVEN CENTRAL FUNCTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND PASS FIRST SECRETARYSHIP OF OBLAST' PARTY ORGANIZATION OT B. I. ARISTOV, A ROMANOV PROTEGE WHO IS PRESENTLY FIRST SECRETARY OF LENINGRAD CITY PARTY ORGANIZATION. ONE SOVIET OFFICIAL COMMENTED THAT, NATURALLY, THERE WERE MANY LENINGRAD COMRADES WHO WOULD LIKE TO SEE ROMANOV GET A FULL POLITBURO SEAT, IMPLYING THAT THIS COULD ONLY BE GOOD NEWS FOR CAREERS OF THE "COMRADES" OF THE ROMANOV POLITICAL MACHINE. NEUBERT

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